

GERMANS JUSTIFY INVADING GREECE

Occupy Ridge, but "Otherwise" Respect Neutral's Territorial Rights.

SECRET AGREEMENT IS GOSSIP IN ROME

Teutons Occupy Forts Near Demir-Hissar and Shell Allied Lines on Vardar.

London, May 30.—The German version of the raid on Greek territory says that "German and Bulgarian forces, to protect themselves against surprise attacks which apparently were planned by the Entente troops, occupied the length of a ridge on the Struma, which is an important position in this connection."

"Our superiority in numbers," continues the official statement, "forced the Greek forces to retreat. Otherwise Greek territorial rights were respected."

Reports from Rome say that information has been received in neutral diplomatic circles there to the effect that the Bulgarian advance into Greece was made as the result of a secret formal agreement between Greece and Bulgaria.

Great activity on the part of the Bulgarians following their occupation of several Greek forts in the vicinity of Demir-Hissar is reported in a Reuter dispatch from Salonica. It is said official information has been received that the effect of the important Bulgarian forces are being concentrated at Nevrokop, in Bulgaria, near the Greek border, as well as at Xanthi.

The Greeks are fortifying the Demir-Hissar section with great haste. The town remains in the hands of the Greeks, although the inhabitants have departed. Bulgarian and German officers are said to have entered the town.

The advance lines of the Entente armies on the Vardar and the hamlet of Kilindir are being bombarded.

ASKS HUNGARIANS HERE TO BE LOYAL

Konta Says Their Duty Is to U. S.—Calls Those Who Leave Traitors.

The hyphen will never be laid to the Hungarian-American if he keeps his oath to this country and sticks to his duty, which is here, Alexander Konta told his fellow countrymen in an address at the dedication of Hungarian-American flags at the Irish Hill, jr. school, Peekskill, yesterday.

"Let Hungarian-Americans reflect well upon the step which is so much discussed now," he said, "the step which so many of us have already decided to take—that of repatriation after the restoration of peace. Every one who returns to Hungary, repudiates his American citizenship and resumes his status as an Hungarian subject will prove by his action that all charges of disloyalty which have been brought against us were true. He will prove that dual allegiance is not an invention, but a real danger to this Republic. He will prove that to an Hungarian an oath is not sacred, but a convenience, to be disregarded when it serves his purpose. He will prove that the hyphen is all that the native American conceives it to be—a weakness in the body politic, unreliable in hours of storm and stress, the cloak of every possible treachery."

"You have sworn allegiance of your own free will, of your own conviction, after mature deliberation. That oath stands, and nothing can affect its sanctity. You cannot go back. Your first duty is here."

"You are the pioneers of Hungarian immigration in America, the children of a thousand years of survival in the struggle for existence, but, far greater still, the fathers and mothers of a new, a strong, a welcome and trusted strain in the making of the Americans of tomorrow."

"That is what you have done in thirty years of labor. The Old World has learned to respect Hungary in a thousand years. You have won the respect of the New World in thirty. Will you throw this away because for the moment you feel that you are being unjustly treated? I know better. Keep

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your oaths. Be true to your allegiance. Stand up for your rights, but stand up to your duties."

FIERCE AUSTRIAN DRIVE IN GALICIA REPULSED

Russians Win Back Post Taken by Storm.

Petrograd, May 30.—In a furious artillery and infantry attack near the village of Gliadki, in Galicia, the Austrians to-day captured a Russian advanced post and exploded two Russian mine galleries, but a subsequent counter attack by reinforcements of the defenders dislodged them and restored the lines.

At two other points on the east front attempts of the German and Austrian forces to penetrate the Russian trenches broke down before heavy fire. The Russian official statement says: "After artillery preparation the enemy tried on Monday night to take the offensive in the region northeast of Augustinof, but was driven back to his trenches by our fire."

"Enemy" airmen threw bombs on Vilejka station and the town of Vostok, northwest of the station.

"Galicia.—In the region of the village of Gliadki the enemy opened a violent fire with light and heavy guns, bomb throwers and mine throwers on our trenches, at the same time attempting an infantry offensive. Having driven back our advance post, the enemy exploded two of our mine galleries, which were not completely charged. Reinforcements hurried to the spot and dislodged the Austrians by a counter attack. They recaptured the post and restored the previous situation."

"Northeast of Zelena, north of Bouchache, an enemy attempt to approach our trenches was frustrated by a fusillade and hand grenades."

ENVOY WARNS CHINA OF JAPANESE PLANS

Tokio Seeking British Approval of Her Scheme.

Peking, May 30.—Alfred Sze, the Chinese Minister in London, has wired to the Foreign Office urging that the North and South reconcile their differences as soon as possible, in order to prevent foreign intervention. He advised that the Japanese Ambassador in London was constantly seeking to get the British government to grant Japan a free hand in China, and that England has not given a formal answer, but would probably be influenced by the conduct of the various factions in China.

The Japanese legation in Peking has emphatically denied the Tokio report that Russia has agreed to give Japan a clear hand in maintaining peace in China. However, the Chinese press very generally credits the reports printed in the Japanese newspapers and momentarily expects an announcement of the conclusion of the treaty.

Chinese newspapers declare that Russia has been able to force other members of the Entente into an agreement to recognize Japan's special position as director of Far Eastern affairs.

FLAG OF A DAY AT IRISH REQUIEM

Republic's Colors on Altar as Mass Is Chanted for "Martyr Dead."

The men and women who sacrificed their lives that the flag of the "Irish Republic" might float for a few brief, tragically glorious hours over Irish soil had their funeral in New York yesterday.

Obscure heroines and heroes of the fighting in Dublin streets and open country and martyrs of that red period that followed under martial law were fittingly honored at services held in All Saints' Church, at Madison Avenue and 122nd Street.

The Rev. Father James W. Powers, the rector, assisted by Father Matthew P. Deahy as deacon and Father Francis J. W. Petry as subdeacon, said a solemn mass of requiem for the Irish dead. In attendance were as many members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians as could crowd into the church, the factional fight that split their St. Patrick's Day parade forgotten.

Three color sergeants stood inside the altar rail, each with a flag. One was the Stars and Stripes. Another showed Ireland's golden harp in the middle of its green field. In the third green, white and yellow mingled. That one was the flag of the "Irish Republic."

As solemnly as if a concrete body lay upon the black draped catafalque the services proceeded. A wailing "Amen" that was almost a cheer followed when Father Powers, sprinkling the catafalque, said:

"May the souls of all Irish men and women who lived and died for the faith and for Ireland rest in peace."

Before that Father Powers had prayed that "for every one who died in the cause of freedom ten others spring up and do their part."

"The agents of the devil and the janitors of hell," was Father Livingston's description of the English.

"They have driven the Irish to all parts of the world," he went on. "If Ireland had been free and independent she would have carried the gospel a thousand times farther than she has. Perhaps she would have dispelled from Japan and China the darkness that exists there now."

PLEA FOR MEDIATION VOICED IN REICHSTAG

Socialist Objects to Fellow Deputy's "Scolding" Wilson.

Berlin, May 30.—In the Reichstag today Gustav Noske, Socialist, protested against the speech of Herr Hirsch, National-Liberal, of Essen, which, he de-

REICHSTAGE TO BE ASKED FOR \$3,000,000,000

Berlin, May 30.—The credit to be asked in the Reichstag within a few days will be 12,000,000,000 marks (\$3,000,000,000), says the "Berliner Tageblatt," and not 10,000,000,000 marks, as previously announced.

Great Britain added last week to its war credits a vote of \$1,500,000,000, making a total of \$3,000,000,000 voted by the House of Commons since the beginning of the year.

clared, was calculated to prevent the neutral powers from mediating in behalf of peace. Herr Noske especially objected to Herr Hirsch's "scolding tone" toward President Wilson. He added:

"There is no disposition among the further hundreds of thousands of German people to hazard the lives of fantastic plans of conquest. The people at the front and at home want no more bloodshed. The masses reject the thought of continuing the war until people are bled white. That would be a crime. Humanity needs a permanent understanding."

RUSSIA'S PRISONERS DIE FROM NEGLECT

American Reports Bad Conditions in Camp at Orenburg.

Vienna, May 14.—Seventeen thousand Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war out of about 80,000 confined in the camp at Orenburg, Eastern Russia, have died, owing to the absence of good sanitary measures, bad food, lack of clothing and exposure to the cold, according to report No. 5,870 of the American Embassy at Petrograd, dated March 15, 1916.

This report, evidently by an attaché of the Petrograd embassy, charges the governor of the Orenburg camp with having misappropriated large sums and of paying no attention to the complaints of prisoners.

Though accurate figures are still lacking, it is believed that so far more than 30 per cent of all Austro-Hungarian prisoners in Russia have died, most of them from camp or fifth diseases, typhus having the lead.

Attached to the report is a statement by the investigator that after he had been in camp at Orenburg the Russian authorities prevented him from visiting other points and that for this reason he had made up his mind to report of what he had seen.

AUSTRIANS BEGIN NEW TYROL DRIVE

Italians Admit Resumption of Foe's Offensive in Posina Zone.

POSITIONS RETAINED. IS ROME'S CLAIM

Teuton Convoys Disturbed by Foe's Guns in Pasubio Sector—Ospedalepo Shelled.

Paris, May 30.—A resumption of the Austrian offensive in the Posina zone and along the upper Astico, in the southern Tyrol, is admitted in to-day's official bulletin issued in Rome.

"South of Posina," says the bulletin, "the enemy, following a violent artillery preparation, attacked in the direction of Soglia di Campiglia and Mount Priafora. After a desperate struggle our troops retained these positions."

"An the Asiago plateau and in the Sugana Valley reconnoitring detachments have been active. Enemy artillery has begun the bombardment of Ospedalepo."

"In the Tofana zone we repulsed a small infantry attack."

"On the northern slopes of Monte San Michele we exploded a powerful mine, breaching a considerable extent of enemy trenches."

"In the Lagarina Valley and in the Pasubio sector there has been an intense artillery duel and great activity. Enemy convoys were disturbed by our fire."

GERMANS LOSE IN AFRICA

British Capture Neu Langenberg and Invest Marema.

London, May 30.—The British force invading German East Africa from the southwest has made still further progress, according to an official statement to-night which says:

"Brigadier General Northey's operations against Neu Langenberg (north of Lake Niasa) were successful. The enemy was compelled to evacuate the town. We occupied it to-day, capturing large quantities of ammunition, food and stores."

"An enemy garrison holding Marema, twenty-three miles east-northeast of

Abercorn (on the Rhodesian border) has been invested."

TRAVELLERS GET LEMON RUB LEAVING GERMANY

Searched at Frontier for Military Maps and Notes.

Warnemunde, Germany, May 18.—The last impression a traveller leaving Germany is likely to have is that of a "lemon rub"—a measure intended to bring to light, or efface, any maps and military information entrusted to the suspect's skin.

At a certain frontier point 127 persons were treated to the lemon rub in March, and an officer said that several long term imprisonments had resulted. Actual spying was done by men, but the information was in most cases carried out by women.

It has now become almost impossible

to cross a border of the Central Powers. Permits and visas have been standardized in Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey and getting them is difficult.

People who travel a great deal, or who have been indiscreet in conduct

and language are given numbers. The number is known to every frontier post and police and military official and it sticks to the traveller like his shadow. It shows to what extent he is choosy and fixes his treatment at the border automatically.

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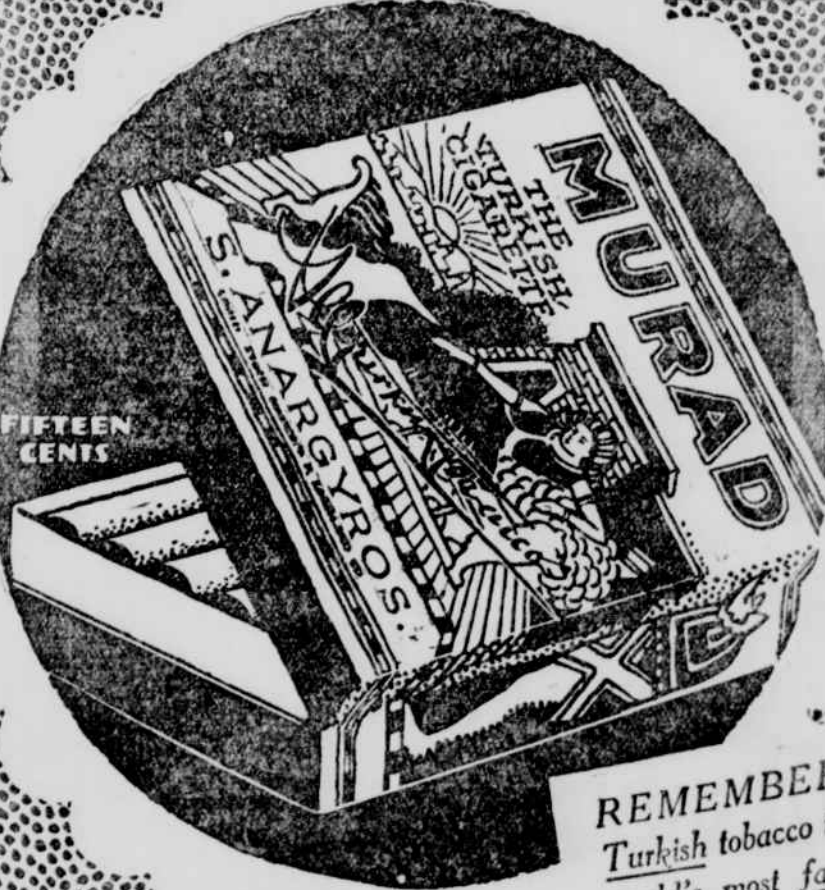
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